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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 FAYEZ MANSOR, et al.,

11 Plaintiffs,

12 v.

13 UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP  
14 AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES,  
et al.,

15 Defendants.

CASE NO. C23-0347JLR

ORDER

16 Pending before the court are the parties' cross motions for summary judgment  
17 briefing the issue of whether Defendant U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services'  
18 ("USCIS") Prima Facie Eligibility Streamlined Case Processing ("PFE SCP") system for  
19 adjudicating concurrently-filed applications for employment authorization and temporary  
20 protected status ("TPS") complies with certain statutory and regulatory  
21 requirements. (Plfs. MSJ (Dkt. # 89); Defs. MSJ (Dkt. # 92).) On February 10, 2025,  
22 Defendants informed the court that they have "paused PFE SCP to review the sufficiency

1 of the background checks within the PFE SCP workflow” and to “ensure compliance  
2 with” certain January 20, 2025 Executive Orders. (*See* Not. (Dkt. # 97).) Because the  
3 court could not resolve the parties’ motions without knowing whether or how the case  
4 processing systems at issue may be impacted by Defendants’ review, the court directed  
5 the Clerk to renote the parties’ cross motions for March 14, 2025, and ordered  
6 Defendants to file a status report regarding the status of USCIS’s review and its effect, if  
7 any, on the parties’ pending cross motions by that date. (*See* 2/18/25 Order (Dkt. # 101).)

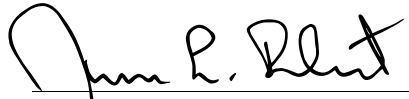
8 On March 14, 2025, Defendants timely filed a status report. (Report (Dkt. # 102).)  
9 In their report, Defendants indicated that the Senior Advisor for the Director’s Office of  
10 USCIS had “submitted recommendations based on his in-depth review of TPS PFE SCP”  
11 and that “USCIS [was] internally deliberating next steps regarding TPS SCP and TPS  
12 PFE SCP.” (Report ¶¶ 1-2 (citing McDermott Decl. (Dkt. # 103) ¶¶ 1, 8-9).) Defendants  
13 also represented that they “endeavor[ed] to determine whether [USCIS] [would] make  
14 any changes to the processes at issue in the parties’ [cross] motions” within 30 days of  
15 the filing of their status report. (Report at 4.) The court accordingly directed the Clerk to  
16 renote the parties’ cross motions for April 14, 2025 and ordered Defendants to file an  
17 updated status report by that date. (3/17/25 Order (Dkt. # 104).)

18 On April 14, 2025, Defendants timely filed a second status report. (2d Report  
19 (Dkt. # 105).) Defendants state that USCIS “continues to internally deliberate next steps  
20 regarding TPS SCP and TPE PFE SCP” and is deciding “whether to make changes to  
21 USCIS’s adjudicatory practices as described in Defendants’ motion for summary  
22 judgment.” (*Id.* at 3.) Defendants anticipate that a decision will be made regarding the

1 TPS SCP and TPS PFE SCP systems “in short order.” (*Id.* at 3-4.) Defendants therefore  
2 request that the court stay the parties’ cross motions until April 28, 2025. (*Id.* at 4.)  
3 Plaintiffs oppose Defendants’ request. (Opp. (Dkt. # 106).) They assert that Defendants  
4 have resorted to the “one-touch processing” system for all applications during USCIS’s  
5 review process, and argue that the one-touch processing system “deprive[s] class  
6 members of the benefits they are entitled to[.]” (*Id.* at 1.) Plaintiffs also contend that  
7 Defendants’ use of the one-touch processing system is “empowering [Defendants] to  
8 ignore the law and remove [TPS applicants].” (*Id.* at 2.) The court is aware of the  
9 sensitivity of the issues in this case. The court cannot, however, anticipate whether or  
10 how Defendants’ review of the processing systems at issue will affect the parties’  
11 arguments in support of their respective cross motions. The court accordingly concludes  
12 that continuing the stay is appropriate.

13 In the interest of efficiently using judicial resources, the court DIRECTS the Clerk  
14 to renote the parties’ cross motions for summary judgment (Dkt. ## 89, 92) for **April 28,**  
15 **2025.** Defendants are ORDERED to file a report regarding the status of USCIS’s review  
16 and its effect, if any, on the pending cross motions by **April 28, 2025.**

17 Dated this 15th day of April, 2025.

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19 JAMES L. ROBERT  
20 United States District Judge  
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